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IS FAST FOOD REALLY FAST? PART 3

BY RACHEL JOHNSON  
The Daily Mississippian

In this final part of the DM’s series on fast food service, we examine a few of the hidden consequences of fast food products.

Fast food has both health and environmental consequences which may negate the convenience and speed that drive-through windows provide for their customers.

The health risks of fast food have been widely discussed in movies such as “Supersize Me” and studied by American universities.

A University of Hawaii study, led by Hope Jahren, showed that the main ingredient in the majority of fast food meat is corn, which the animals are fed in slaughterhouses to fatten them more quickly.

Corn has been debated recently by writers such as Michael Pollan, and investigated by researchers. Some scientists say that corn is harmful to the animals it is fed to, since it is not what they are naturally adapted to eating. Furthermore, nutritionists are concerned about the amount of corn creeping into American diets via processed foods, such as those served by the fast food industry.

A national heart, lung and blood study showed that over fifteen years, people who ate fast food several times a week were more likely to gain weight and more susceptible to insulin resistance, which can lead to diabetes.

Fast food restaurants have addressed these concerns by changing their menus to add more healthy options like fruit and salads. They have also added lower calorie options, which allow customers to still eat their favorite menu items. For instance, Taco Bell has a ‘fresco’ option where any taco or burrito can be ordered ‘fresco style,’ and the restaurant will prepare it without sour cream or cheese, reducing the amount of fat and calories in the item.

Bob Vasilyev, President of Vasco Properties, which operates the Taco Bell in Oxford, said, “We have some very healthy products, the problem is you’ve got to order them that way.”

“You can come in here and get the char-grilled (chicken sandwich), you can get the fruit cup, you can get the yogurt parfait. We



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have a lot of options where, if you come in here and you want to eat healthy, there are more options to do that here,” said Lance Reed, owner and operator of Chick-Fil-A in Oxford.

It is, therefore, possible to make healthy choices when going to fast food chains, but customers have to make themselves aware and take the initiative to make healthy food choices.

The other problem customers need to make themselves aware of are the environmental detractors of going through the drive-thru on a regular basis.

San Luis Obispo, California banned drive-throughs in 1982 to help preserve a laid-back, small town way of life. The ban was upheld by the city in 2008, and now more areas, especially in Canada, are considering drive-through bans and bans on idling to help cut down on emissions.

There is still a lot of debate about whether drive-through idling really causes more emissions, but cities are still concerned about the consequences drive-through pose for pedestrians and the pace of urban life.

Fast food packaging is another facet of the environmental debate over fast food. Every item a customer orders at a restaurant is individually packaged, from the fries and condiments to the drinks and straws. This is more cardboard and Styrofoam products than customers would be throwing away after a meal at home.

Most chains have dealt with this issue by replacing Styrofoam with other products and requiring customers to ask for napkins, straws and plastic ware.

Are fast food chains fast? No doubt. Customers can get an affordable meal in a matter of seconds, and the number of healthy options has increased as consumers have become more concerned with making good food decisions. But consumers need to make themselves aware of what they are eating when they go to a fast food restaurant. Nutritional facts are available at most restaurants or online.

The question of fast food being environmentally friendly has yet to be answered, so consumers are left to read the research and decide for themselves if a drive-through is the right choice for them.

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Miss. nurse pleads guilty to stealing pain drugs

(AP) -- Attorney General Jim Hood says Kimberly Murrell of Plantersville has pleaded guilty to stealing drugs from patients at the nursing home where she worked and using them herself.

Hood says Murrell entered the plea Wednesday in Lafayette County Circuit Court in Oxford to one count of acquiring or obtaining possession of controlled substance or prescription by misrepresentation, fraud and the like.

Circuit Judge Andrew Horworth agreed to place Murrell in the local drug court program, a 36-month program for first offenders.

EVENTS

‘PREACHER’S TOURNAMENT’

BY POINESHA BARNES  
The Daily Mississippian

Home is where the heart is. For those he talked to, Morris C. “Preacher” Lovelady has made this statement much more than a mere declaration. Lovelady spent his academic and professional career in the very same community in which he was raised and later retired. Lovelady has been a respected and honored member of the Oxford community for many years. He is a member of the Alumni Association at Ole Miss and has been a volunteer for the Fire Department for 33 years. He has also been an active member of the Yocona Area Council Boy Scouts of America for over 62 years.

Friends, family, and colleagues are hosting a benefit golf tournament

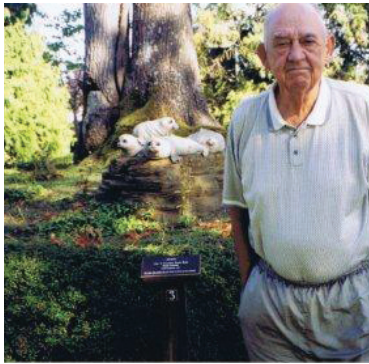
in Lovelady’s name to honor the dedication and community service he has given to the city of Oxford.

The golf tournament will be held in celebration of Lovelady’s 87th birthday and his two lifelong loves: The University of Mississippi Golf Course and The Boy Scouts of America.

Boy Scouts of America awarded Lovelady the Silver Beaver Award in recognition of his lifetime of commitment to the organization.

The University of Mississippi will also recognize him with a bronze marker on the first tee box, engraved with “Supervising Civil Engineer of the Original University Course,” on the course he helped construct.

“I was the supervising engi-



LOVELADY, contributed

neer at the physical plant from 1947 until 1980,” Lovelady said. Amazingly, Lovelady, at 87 years old, could recall any date, name or place at the drop of a dime.

When asked why a golf tournament was chosen for the celebration, he replied, “I’ve been golfing since I was eight, and I’ve been involved with Boy Scouts since 1950.”

It was clear that Lovelady cher-

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COLUMN

Spongebob is dying

BY  
JON MOSBY  
Columnist

OK, let's take a moment to not bash Tony Hayward and BP (or at least I'll try). This is about the poor, defenseless sea animals of the Gulf: the sea turtles, the countless fish, shrimp and crustaceans, the sea gulls that fly about and yes, that yellow sponge that lives in a pineapple under the sea. The first thing you may ask is: where does Spongebob live? If you ask me, he's got to live in the Gulf. Remember the time Sandy wanted to go back home to Texas? She almost went but didn't go after realizing how much her Bikini Bottom friends loved her. The Texas coastline is bordered by the Gulf of Mexico. Bikini Bottom must be somewhere near Texas. It must be in the Gulf. And yes, sponges do live in the Gulf, such as the Boring sponge, a bright yellow sponge (sound familiar?) that exhibits the pumping of water through holes on its body. Hey, didn't Spongebob cry through those holes in his body once? Now that I've clearly established that Spongebob lives in the Gulf of Mexico, I can explain how the BP oil spill is affecting him

and all those pals of his in Bikini Bottom and the rest of the Gulf. More than 8,000 species of animals live in the Gulf region, including an endangered species of turtles and several bird species. As recent as June 23, more than 1,000 birds, 407 sea turtles and 47 dolphins have been found dead in the Gulf. Harry Roberts, a professor at LSU said, "The oil spill could be enough to wipe out marine life deep at sea near the location of the spill and along hundreds of miles of coastline." Mark Saito, a scientist in Massachusetts said, "(the oil spill) may alter the chemistry of the sea, with unforeseeable results." Some of the affected sea animals play a part in the tourism and fishing industries of the Gulf region. The Louisiana Department of Health has closed several of the state's oyster beds, citing oil as the reason for the closure. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) closed commercial and recreational fishing areas between the mouth of the Mississippi River

and Pensacola Bay. These fishery closures have been estimated to be a loss of \$2.5 billion. The economic impact of the closure of several fishing areas will be felt by humans for years to come. When it's all said and done, the BP oil spill, off course, won't do anything to the fictional Bikini Bottom. The oil spill has caused tons of damage to the undersea environment for countless numbers of sea animals. These animals have the right to live decent lives and not die at the hands of us humans. There are several ways that we can all help with this problem. Check out the government websites of states like Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. There are also sites that gather information about legit charities that are helping with the disaster, such the Impact Your World section of CNN.com. We must all work together to find ways to help with this oil spill disaster, not only for ourselves and our pockets, but also the animals. I'd hate to have to tell a kid that BP killed Spongebob.



# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Ole Miss students did a great thing last year by voting to update our university's mascot. It took real courage to rebel against a longstanding, ill-conceived tradition. A tradition that was easily misunderstood and cast a dark shadow over our beloved university. This courage to stand up for what they believed, in the face of withering criticism, is what being a Rebel is all about. We should all aspire to that same spirit.

The committee formed to work the issue has done its best under the circumstances, but unfortunately most of the results are not acceptable. At first glance, one may feel those overseeing the process deserve disesteem. Of the 11 ideas the mascot committee presented, all but one would inspire derision if chosen. It is that one, however, that gives us our most inspired shot. Even though we have been handed something of an incomplete muddle, thankfully there is a diamond for Ole Miss to find in the rough. The question is: will voters choose it? For the sake of Ole Miss, I hope so. I write this letter to campaign for this lone choice.

First, consider the 11 imprudent mascot ideas for a moment. The idea of using "Rebel Mojo," a term derived from the folk

belief of hoodoo, comes from semi-religious witchcraft. There are two sets of Muppets listed, "Hotty and Toddy" as well as the "Rebel Fanatic." Characters like this do not inspire much tradition. Prometheus the Titan was chained to a rock and had his liver eaten out by an eagle. Though one can see the Auburn fans drooling to mock this one, it is even more distasteful considering the fact that "Titan" is a rank within the KKK.

How about the black bear? Faulkner had Old Ben killed by a hunter's abused dog in order to symbolize nature's impending doom at the hands of industrial society. A cardinal? It is not even the Mississippi state bird, as that honor goes to the mockingbird.

The garb of a riverboat pilot would easily just be Colonel Reb with a smaller hat and no cane, continuing to stoke the fires of division. "Rebel-lion?" Lions have no attachment to Mississippi and are one of the most popular mascots in the country, therefore not unique like our Ole Miss deserves. How about the land shark? I know banana slugs, anteaters, and boll weevils are already taken, but we should avoid infringing on the copyright of a beer company and Saturday Night Live.

The capstone of this ill-conceived list is the idea of having a "Rebel Blues Musician" roaming the sidelines. Very simply, it is a terrible idea to base a mascot on a form of music that was born from the pain of racial oppression. It may be considered near a minstrel show to have, "a larger-than-life costumed personality," dancing around and performing a historically African-American music style on the sidelines. For a place trying to make distance from the horrors of slavery, racism and segregation, this would be a step backwards.

In the end, these 11 options do not inspire much for us, have no solid connection to our Ole Miss, and would only be mocked or defame our school. These options need to go the way of Rebel Bruiser and Rowdy Rebel. Thankfully, however, there is hope hiding among the options available: the Ole Miss' diamond in the rough.

The one idea standing as a strand of hope for all who care for Ole Miss is that of a stallion, furtively listed as "Rebel the Horse" on the voting page. A wild and rebellious creature by nature, a stallion is a traditional symbol of strength and free spirit. This option is the only one presented with any concrete

attachment to our Ole Miss. As the committee writes, "When the University of Mississippi was formed in 1848... Mischievous Ole Miss students frustrated early faculty by riding horses through the Lyceum." None of the 11 remaining options have such a traditional and rebellious link to our Ole Miss or would represent our university's contemporary spirit like that of a stallion. A stallion would magnificently inspire tradition, strength and the free rebel spirit that is Ole Miss.

It is time to take up the reigns and ride a stallion through the Lyceum once again, this time to show the world we have the courage to stand up and rebel against the tyranny of assimilated thought and outside influence. This does not conform; it inspires. This does not destroy tradition, but goes further in to our roots. Ole Miss, seize the opportunity now: vote for this mascot above all the others. This will be a great mascot; one we can all be proud of together, forever. This is our diamond, Ole Miss.

Hotty Toddy!

P. Elliott Porter, Jr.  
Ole Miss, '00

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## LATEST DEBACLE FOR MEDICAL POT

BY  
Daily Iowan Editorial Board     Daily Iowan, U. Iowa via UWIRE

The once bright future for medical marijuana is looking a lot hazier after a recent dispute between the Iowa Board of Pharmacy and the state's legislators.

Medical marijuana in Iowa had appeared to be heading toward legalization, but there have been major arguments lately on whether it is up to the state board or the Legislature to give the final go-head. Each party points to the other, and as they do so, the prospects of obtaining a prescription for medical marijuana seem to be further from reach.

While the DI Editorial Board — which has supported legalizing medical marijuana in the past — waits with the rest of Iowa, we are rather hopeful that the state will end the bickering and legalize the once frowned-upon substance, thus

allowing those in dire need to reap the medical benefits.

However, after speaking with Sen. Tom Courtney, D-Burlington, we are not optimistic we will see any development before January.

"I think you won't see this become a law for several years, but the only way we are going to make it a law is to study it," Courtney said.

Initially, the Pharmacy Board (which unanimously voted for medicinal marijuana on Feb. 17) said it recommend Legislature to take a look into the medical benefits in order to proceed toward legalization. However, House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy has said there is no need for a legislative committee to study the matter because the Iowa Code gives the Pharmacy Board the power to set rules for medical mari-

juana.

Without officially taking a side on the issue, Courtney said he believes the Pharmacy Board is correct, saying, "The Legislature is the one that needs to move forward on this issue."

The DI Editorial Board is quite skeptical whether the dispute will ever be settled. Courtney said the soonest medical marijuana could again be discussed is January, and even then it will take time before the logistics are all straightened out.

Courtney said the state's biggest concern (which should come as no

surprise) is that over time, it will be easier for people to obtain the drug for recreational purposes.

"If you're going to make marijuana legal, you have to figure out the mechanics of it," he said.

And Courtney is certainly correct — there are many technicalities that the state must research — and that will take some time before we see any progress.

Courtney is a strong advocate for the drug, and he believes many hospitals are in favor of medical marijuana, because it can ease the pain and nausea for many patients.

He says if we can alleviate people's pain, and do it in a way that doesn't jeopardize anybody else, we are obligated to at least look into it?

And many will agree with him. According to the Compassionate Coalition, marijuana has been proven to be one of the safest, therapeutically active substances that can be used for an array of medical purposes.

So, what once seemed like such promising progress has apparently gone up in smoke — now only time will tell if medical marijuana in Iowa has a future.

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# Many Stars of NBA Summer '10, but One is King

## NBA FREE AGENCY

BY ANDREW DICKSON

The Daily Mississippian

"If you guys want to sleep right now and not wake up [until] July 1st, 2010, go ahead because it's going to be a big day," LeBron James teased in a 2008 postgame press conference in New York City, fully aware that ESPN would turn it into a subliminal messaging campaign by replaying it ad nauseam to keep the summer of 2010 warm long enough for even the wittiest of sports journalists to run out of one-liners to describe just how "hot" it is.

Had you taken James at face value, yesterday would have been quite the day for you. But once you had come to terms with calling the Saints Super Bowl Champs and got used to the idea that the fifth man in the rotation of every MLB team is now entirely capable of throwing a perfect game, you'd have been well rested for the next five to ten days that are going to shape the landscape of the NBA for years to come.

James, who would like to make his decision before Mon-

day, headlines possibly the most talented free agent class in NBA history. He is joined by Toronto center Chris Bosh, Miami guard Dwayne Wade, Atlanta guard Joe Johnson, Dallas forward Dirk Nowitzki, Suns forward Amare Stoudemire, Utah forward Carlos Boozer and Celtic guards Ray Allen and Paul Pierce as the most coveted players on the market.

However, the general managers weren't afforded the luxury of being so caught up in the festivities that we are, and the most prepared businessmen are well aware of the real reason for the season — money.

GMs of teams in contention to sign at least one or two of these highly sought after players have been preparing for the summer of 2010 by clearing cap space via trades or waiving players on their current rosters. Miami, Chicago, New York, and New Jersey have done the best job of clearing space, as each of those teams has room to sign at least two players for the league maximum (which varies from excessive to exorbitant, depending on how many years the player has put into the NBA).

Due to the plethora of sce-

narios that have been reported in the last few weeks by a variety of sources, predicting who will go where is academic at this point; however, it's obvious that the real fun won't begin until James has made his decision, as priorities will certainly change for a number of teams once they know whether or not The King will sign with them.

It is entirely possible for a team to lose out on the LeBron James Sweepstakes and still wind up as the big winner at the end of free agency.

Take Miami for example. The Heat won an NBA Championship with Dwayne Wade, an aging Shaquille O'Neal, and number of veterans and role players. Wade has proven that he can dominate a series the way Kobe Bryant can — provided he has a post presence to work with the way Bryant has.

Also, for a team like Boston — which was minutes away from an NBA championship this season and has already received a commitment from Doc Rivers to coach at least another year — simply keeping players like Pierce and Allen in town and getting everyone healthy for one more run

at an NBA Championship would put them in as good a position as almost anyone else in the East when all is said and done.

But at the end of the day, the headlines are going to be focused on the reigning MVP's journey.

LeBron James was hyped as the greatest high school basketball talent in Ohio history. Fate dictated that the Cleveland Cavaliers would win the NBA Lottery and keep him in state for the time being. Fate also dictated that LeBron would have immediate success, despite not quite being able to win a championship. (To be honest, if you followed the careers of Michael Jordan and Kobe Bryant, the first seven years of LeBron's career should be nothing short of nostalgic.)

The world is still getting smaller, and we're now at the point where players in smaller markets can still easily become global icons. But the smaller markets — especially one like Cleveland, which hasn't won a championship in the NFL, NBA, MLB, or NHL in the last 46 years — tend to cling to their players in a way that is almost impossible to put into writing.

And it doesn't get much more

American than the hometown kid ending half a century of futility. Winning a championship anywhere else would be borderline anti-climactic.

So what we're left with is the city of Cleveland and LeBron James, two independent entities whose legacies are entirely dependent upon each other. There isn't a single player in the NBA better equipped to bring a championship to Cleveland, Ohio, than LeBron James. Conversely, there isn't any other city in the world that offers LeBron James the opportunity to finish what he started.

When July 1, 2010, arrived, a number of newspapers across the country sensationalized the idea of leaving Cleveland and ESPN didn't go five minutes without mentioning you, King James. But back in Ohio, the tone was a bit different.

The tabloids were melancholy, and a group of fans gathered outside your home to try and persuade their city's greatest asset to remain a part of their city's history — a history that they are counting on you to revise. Your name is the only word they can say.

Stay.

## HOW TO CELEBRATE YOUR FOURTH OF JULY

BY LANCE INGRAM

Lifestyles Editor

The Fourth of July offers Americans the opportunity to celebrate the struggles and difficult times we as a country have been through. Every year our families and friends gather together to celebrate the holiday and enjoy the day with those we hold closest. For some people, the day may be a large family gathering of family reunion magnitude or just an opportunity to sit and enjoy a day off work to be with parents and close relatives, but others may opt to use the day as an excuse to waste the day next to the pool with friends. Although it can sometimes be difficult to come up with ideas to celebrate the holiday, here are a few ideas on what to do.

**Picnic:** A picnic is a great excuse to be outside and spend the day with whomever you choose on the Fourth. For those taking out a girlfriend/boyfriend, a picnic provides the opportunity to have a romantic date while celebrating, or for families it is a great chance to be together in the open air. If you decide take the picnic out to a park or open field, a frisbee, football or pretty much any ball will make a great addition to enjoy the time out.

**Watermelon:** Watermelon isn't really a way to celebrate, but it's a great food to enjoy. It's also a food that requires you to be outside to eat, so it's just another excuse to be outdoors.

**Body of Water:** Going out on a boat, jet skiing or going swimming are fun regardless of what day it is, but a holiday is a great reason to get out on the lake to get sunburnt with family and friends. A

full body of water may be hard to find in Lafayette County without knowing someone, but Sardis Lake isn't very far. For those looking to travel, the Reservoir in Flowood/Ridgeland is a large body of water that will have plenty of people to spend the day.

**Grill Out:** Grilling out provides a reason for men to stand around a grill, talk about sports, work or whatever they desire. Bar-be-que is a great delicacy that the South knows how to do best, and the Fourth is a reason to splurge and go

all out on the best meat available.

**Homemade Ice Cream:**

After you've finished off the barbecue, watermelon and other Fourth of July treats, homemade ice cream is a delicious way to blow a diet. Granted, it takes a few hours to make, but once it's finished, get out the sprinkles, chocolate syrup and strawberry topping and enjoy the tasty creation.

**Excuse to Be with Family/Friends:**

It's not every day you get to see your family,

especially if you're far from home at college, or if your job is far from your roots. Holidays are the best excuses to call up those loved ones that you haven't seen in years to get together to revisit old memories and make a few new ones.

**Live Music:** Live music makes most everything better. So, why not celebrate at a live concert? The blues is a great genre to choose for Fourth celebrations because the lyrical content talks about overcoming hardships and facing troubles head on. A concert isn't

the best way to bond over conversation, but it does present the chance to let go, dance a little, and enjoy the freedom to choose your music taste.

**Fireworks:** Plain and simple, fireworks are mandatory for celebrations. Fireworks only come around twice a year, and that's enough reason for pyromaniacs to get excited. Whether you shoot your fireworks or visit one of the many firework displays the state will be holding, they are the quintessential celebration of the Fourth.

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THE FUSCO BROTHERS

DOES THIS QUALIFY AS MOOD LIGHTING?

DOES DISGUST QUALIFY AS A MOOD?

DILBERT

MY PRESCRIPTION MEDS CAUSE DROWSINESS.

SO I GOT A SECOND PRESCRIPTION THAT CAUSES PHANTOM-HAND SYNDROME TO SLAP ME AT RANDOM INTERVALS.

MAYBE YOU SHOULD USE A DOCTOR WHO HAS LESS-EFFECTIVE PHARMACEUTICAL REPS IN HIS TERRITORY.

FIST!

NON SEQUITUR

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WILEY

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Friday, July 2, 2010

Last Down clue is 61

TODAY'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 Talk-show name

6 Reflection

11 Newer pipes

14 Smaller than mini

15 Paddock occupants

16 London lav

17 Muddle

18 Golfers' taps

19 Feel poorly

20 Malamute's load

22 Law

24 Watch part

28 Contributes

30 Anyone home? (hyph.)

31 Trainer

32 Swiped

33 Kind deception (2 wds.)

36 Miners dig it

37 Doctorate exams

38 Just awful

40 Slick

43 Desperado's fear

45 Monsoons

46 Soup server

47 Lighter fluids

50 Extra helpings

51 River or wine

52 Stoolie

53 Talk incessantly

54 On the level

57 Waned

62 Trophy, often

DOWN

1 Mantra chants

2 Kegler's target

3 Electronics mfr.

4 Rover's greeting

5 Johnson Space Center locale

6 Oblige

7 "— Muller"

8 Special knack

9 Obtain

10 Flower oil

11 Braid

12 Soprano or bass

13 Farm babies

21 Mekong native

23 Actress

Arlene —

24 Prefix meaning "cell"

25 Thunders

26 Rub

27 Yon maiden

28 Napkin

29 Horse fodder

31 Blackens

33 Nest builders

34 Dramatist

Henrik —

35 Loosened

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED

ROUT	APPT	WHET
ALSO	BAYOU	HULA
MEET	APRON	ARID
PSST	TEE	TULLES
	EWER	CAME
SACRED	JUMP	PROPE
CURSE	JOKE	SWIM
ADE	SOWED	NEO
LIES	ILLS	EJECT
POPTARTS	SOIREE	
	ELLS	RANG
POTATO	KIT	STUD
EDAM	INANE	ARLO
LIRE	NORSE	WANT
TEAR	GLEN	SPAS

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37 Sheriff Andy's kid

39 Family rooms

41 OPEC member

42 Like some walls

43 Draws up

44 Galleon cargo

46 Decimal base

47 Utah canyon

48 Self-move firm (hyph.)

49 Unstable

50 Places

52 Bona — (genuine)

55 New Haven student

56 Resin

58 Strut along

59 Prickly husk

60 Paris summer

61 Actress — Wallace-Stone

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# DESPITE LACK OF GUARANTEES, TERRICO WHITE MADE THE RIGHT CHOICE

BY ERIC BESSON  
Sports Editor

Terrico White did not get drafted in the first round of the NBA Draft last week. His contract – if he is signed – may not be guaranteed. His decision to declare early could have cost him millions. Still, he made the right decision.

If White had gone in the top 30, he would have received a guaranteed contract for at least three years. He didn't.

Instead, he was selected No. 36 by the Detroit Pistons, who hold his rights and have the liberty to do what they like with them. Sign him? Trade him? Do nothing? Yes, Yes and Yes – all three are possibilities.

Some will use their hindsight to proclaim White made the wrong decision when he declared early, but that's not necessarily true. Second-round draftees might not have the benefit of a guaranteed contract, but unlike their first-round counterparts, they hold the right to negotiate and can still garner guaranteed money.

Need proof? Sam Young was drafted No. 36 by the Memphis Grizzlies out of Pittsburgh in 2009. He signed a three-year contract (third year is a club op-

tion) worth \$824,200 in 2009-10, \$886,000 in 2010-11 and \$947,800 in the option year.

And his salary is guaranteed for the first two years.

On the other hand, the 26th pick in the draft is slotted, which means no negotiations. It is a three-year deal – with two team-option years that could extend it to five – worth \$810,600, \$871,300 and \$932,100.

With past results at our disposal, it's not too difficult to envision a case in which White will make more money than a first-round selection.

Players taken in the first round are signed for five years unless the team that employs them decides to opt out of the contract after the third or fourth year.

George Hill, who was drafted No. 26 by the San Antonio Spurs in 2008, is considered a legitimate high-level point guard prospect after his first two years in the NBA.

Hill averaged 34.6 minutes and 13.6 points in the 2010 playoffs. Yet, he is at the mercy of Spurs management for three more years, without the ability



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Terrico White, who was drafted with the 6th pick in the 2nd round, has advantages that first round picks do not, such as the freedom to negotiate a contract.

to opt out and negotiate a fresh contract.

Sure, it's favorable for prospects to sign a guaranteed contract before they play a game, but a slip to the second round definitely has its advantages. For those that prove their worth, payday arrives quicker.

Terrico White didn't go in the first round? So what? What if he returns and blows out a knee? For what? To give NBA teams more film to scrutinize him?

In a league that drafts on potential, potential and potential (in that order), another season of college ball will make him a year older and likely hurt his case before it helps it.

It's hard to imagine a scenario in which the Pistons won't sign White and guarantee at least

a portion of his salary. In two years at Ole Miss, he showed NBA-level athleticism and has great elevation and form on his jump shot.

He already has the tools to steal some minutes in the NBA. And just imagine the improvements in his game when he makes basketball his full-time job. At worst, he provides points off the bench as a rookie and could have a season similar to New Orleans Hornet and former LSU guard Marcus Thorton, a 2009 second rounder,

And let's face it, a top-40 selection is impressive when any collegiate player can enter the draft, instead of strictly juniors and seniors like in the MLB and NFL.

Had White returned for his

junior year, maybe he would have proven he can contribute from the point at the next level. If he were to convince scouts he could do so, it would definitely help. But playing alongside a scoring point guard like Chris Warren doesn't make it an easy task.

He had to know the second round was a possibility when he declared early. Being listed as a late first round prospect usually means a slip past No. 30 is possible, if not probable in most cases.

He made his decision knowing this, and he landed with a storied franchise whose starting shooting guard – Richard Hamilton – is nearing the end of his career.

All things considered, No. 36 really isn't that bad.

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